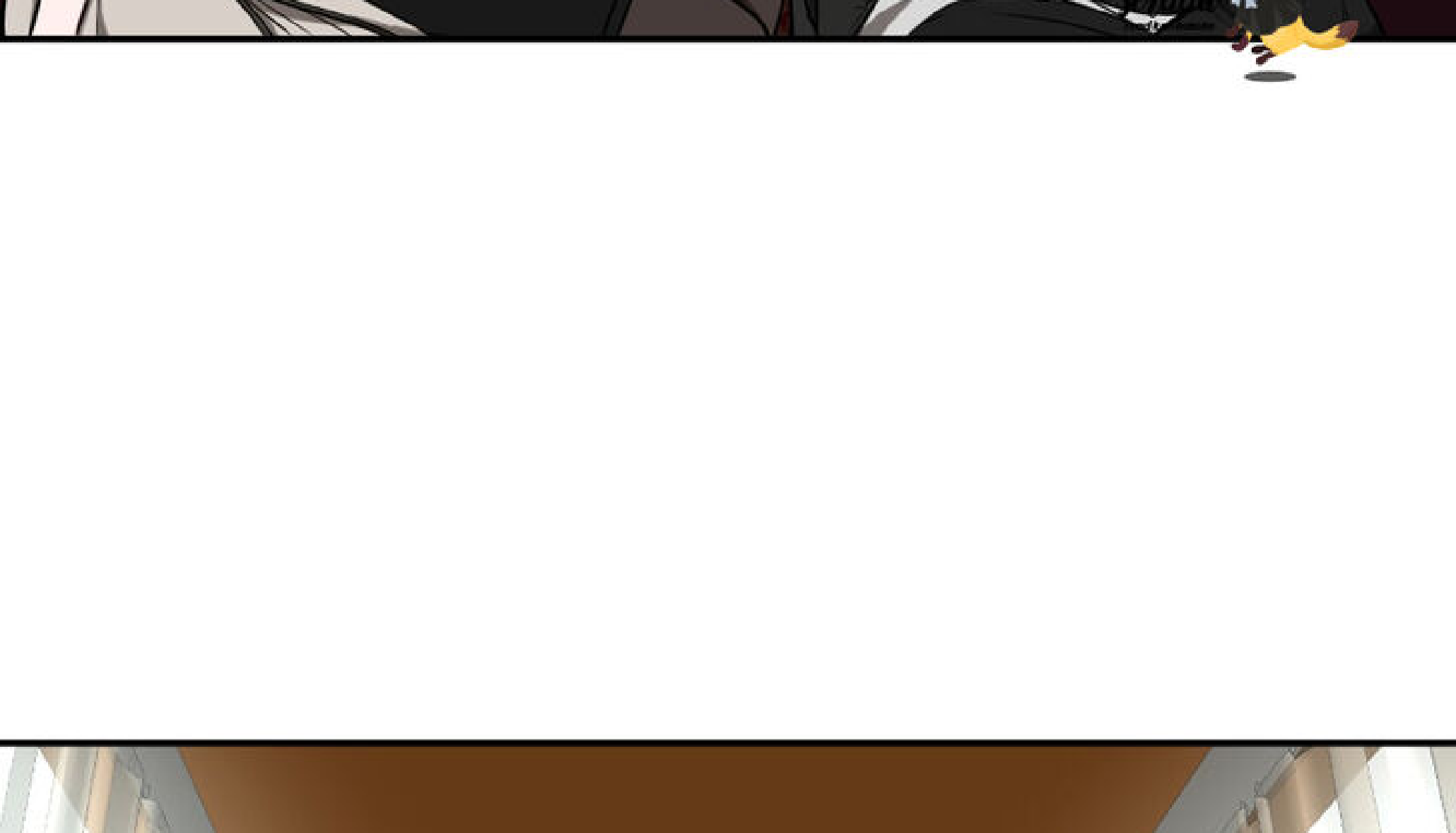


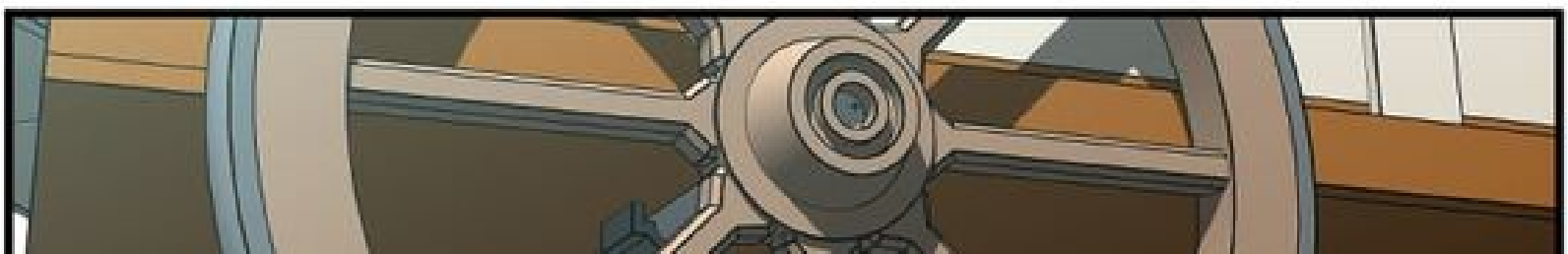
MAN,
I CAN'T BELIEVE
YOU HAD TO GO THROUGH
ALL OF THAT AFTER YOU
FELL DOWN THE
CLIFF.

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED,

AT LEAST YOU WERE ABLE TO FIND A BOND.

THAT'S SOMETHING EVEN SEASONED ADVENTURERS AND NOBLES ARE RARELY ABLE TO HAVE.

YEAH, THAT'S WHY SHE'S SPECIAL TO ME.



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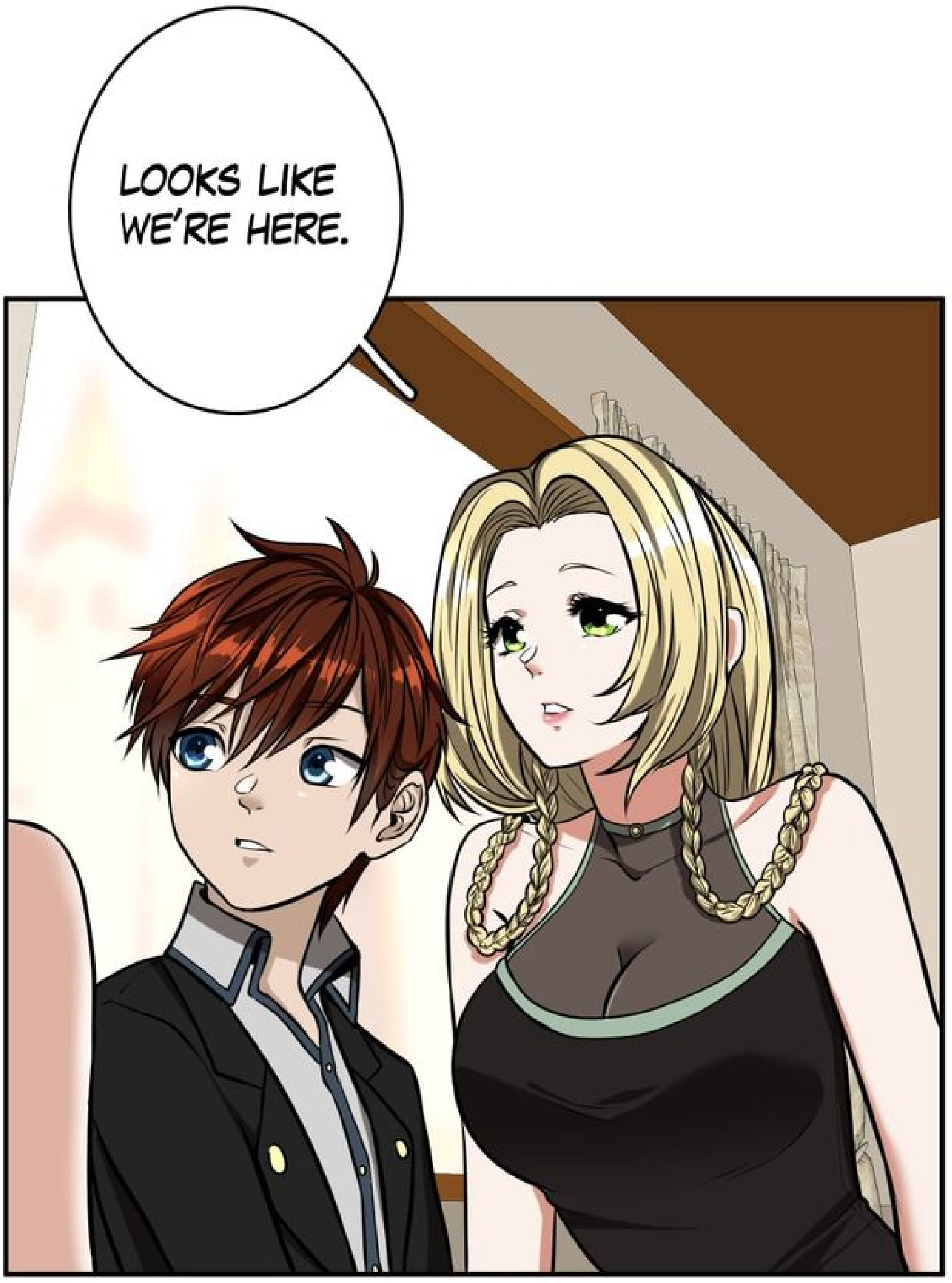
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE HERE.

WELCOME.

THE BEGINNING AFTER THE END

STORY BY
TURTLEME

ART BY
FUYUKI23

PRESENTED BY
TAPAS MEDIA

QUALITY CONTROL BY
KISAI ENTERTAINMENT

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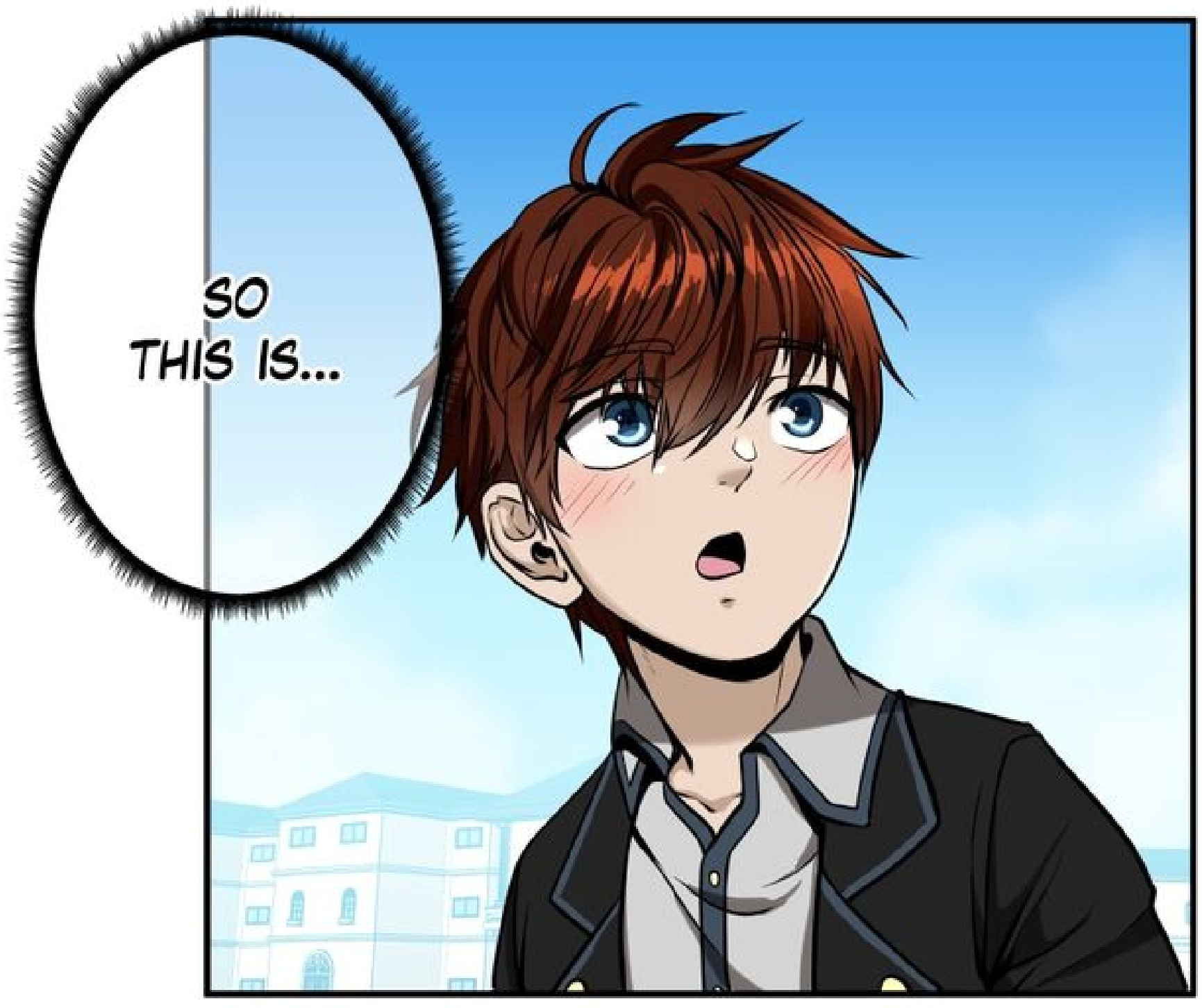
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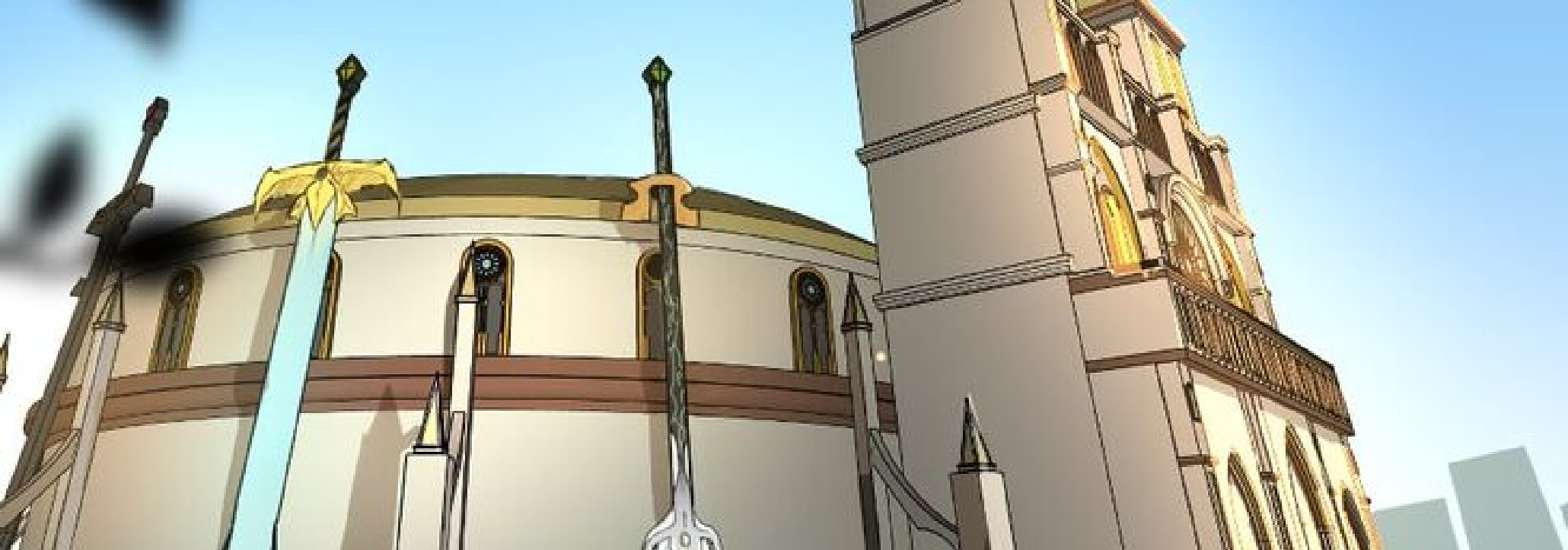
THIS IS...

HELSTEA
AUCTION
HOUSE?!

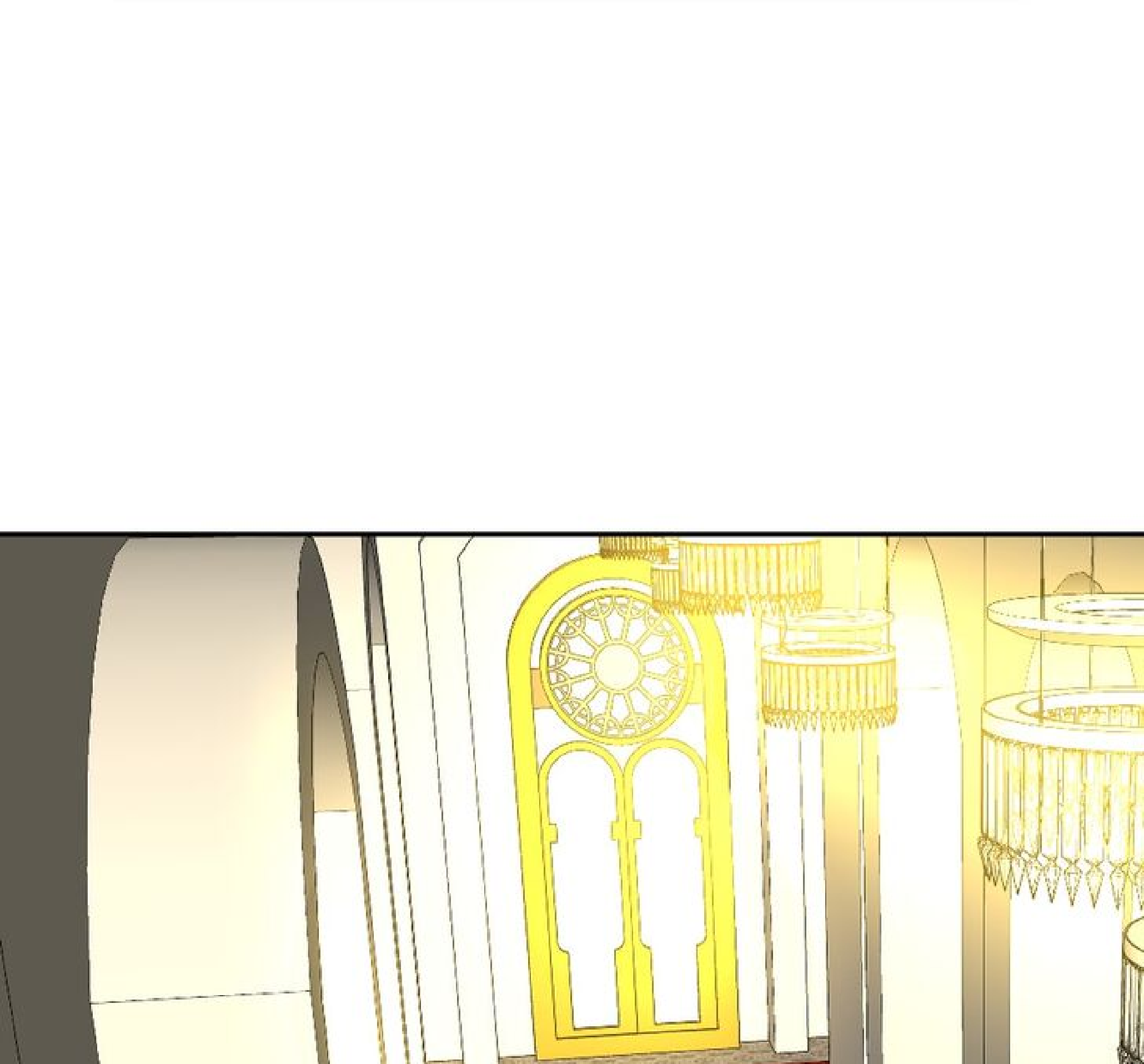
HOUSE!?



THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE HELSTEA AUCTION HOUSE.

AN EVENT NOBLES AND
ADVENTURERS ALIKE HAVE BEEN
EXCITED FOR.

IT WILL NOT ONLY BE A CELEBRATION, BUT ALSO A CHANCE TO SEE AND PERHAPS BUY PRICELESS ARTIFACTS THAT HAVE BEEN KEPT LOCKED AWAY AND GUARDED FOR THIS PARTICULAR EVENT.



WOW!
SO MANY BEAST CORES!

AND EVEN A...
WHAT THE HELL IS THAT ANYWAY?

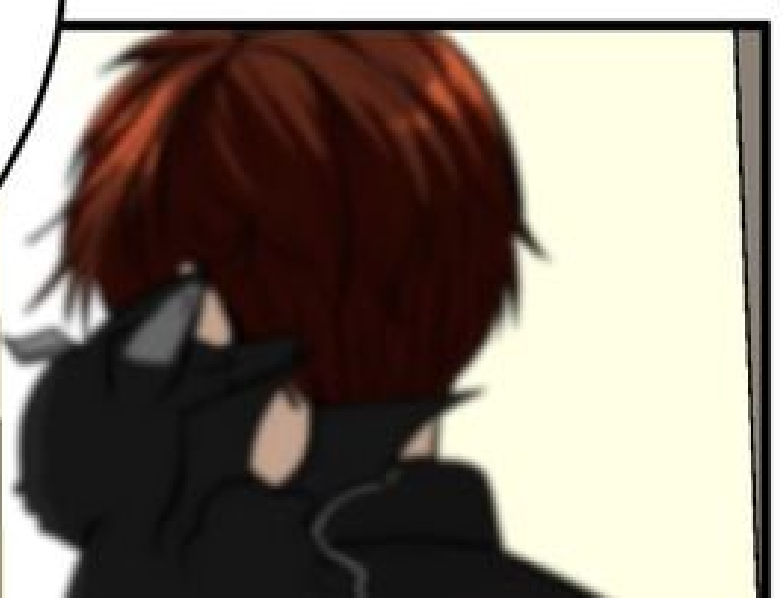
THE EXTERIOR OF THIS BUILDING IS AMAZING BUT THE INSIDE HOLDS UP JUST AS WELL!

ALL RIGHT, EVERYONE! TODAY'S

A BIG DAY!

LET'S GET
OUR HEADS TOGETHER
AND MAKE SURE NO MISTAKES
ARE MADE!

TEAM B,
MAKE SURE THE SIDE
CORRIDORS ARE CHECKED EVERY
HALF HOUR BEFORE CIRCLING
BACK TO YOUR ORIGINAL
ROUTE!



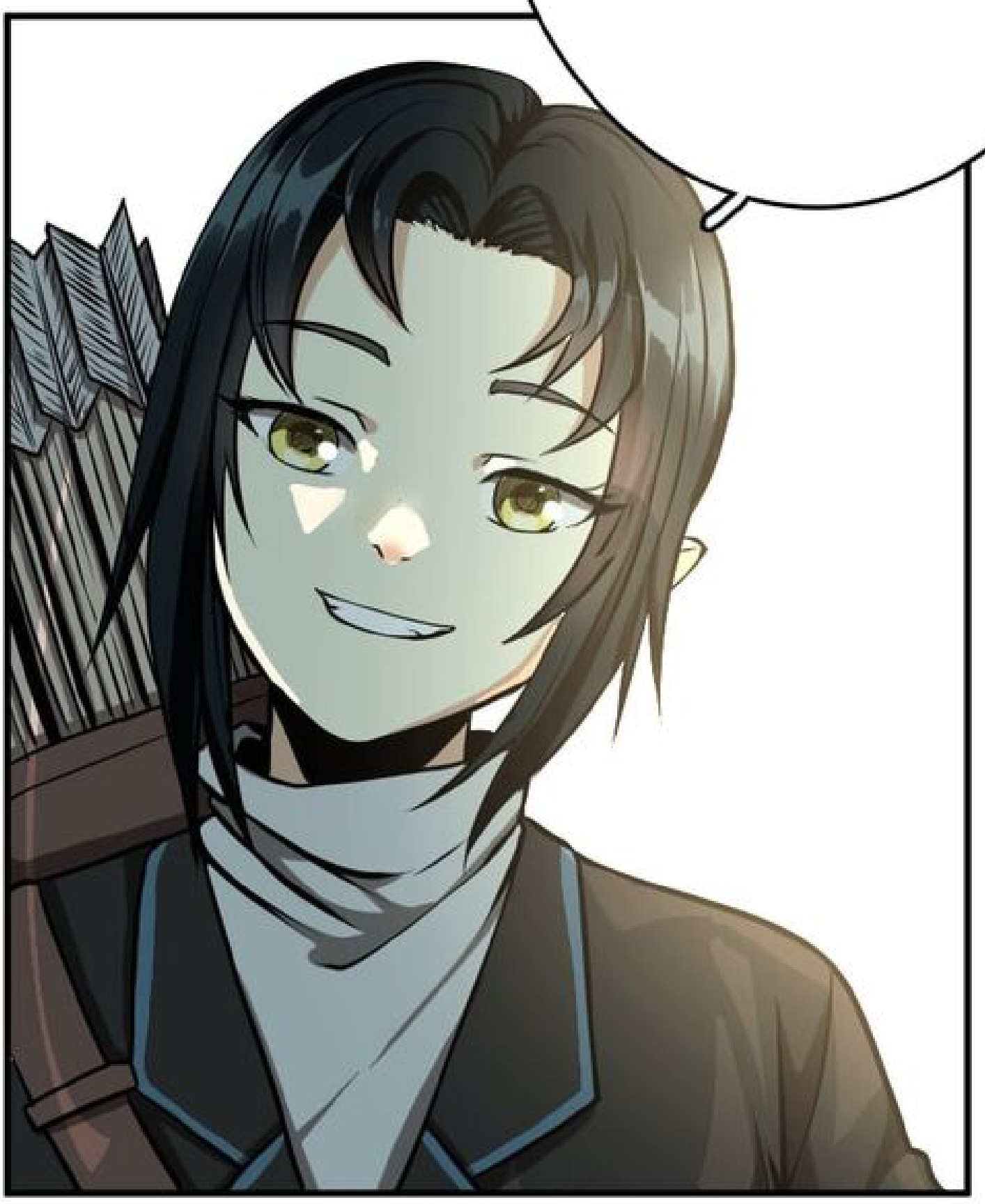
YES, SIR!

IT'S GOOD TO SEE THEM LIKE THIS, ESPECIALLY MY FATHER.

A BIG CHANGE FROM HOW HE USUALLY IS.

WELL, YOUR FATHER WAS A LEADER, AFTER ALL.

I'VE GROWN SINCE I TOOK HIS PLACE BUT I STILL CAN'T MATCH UP TO HIM.

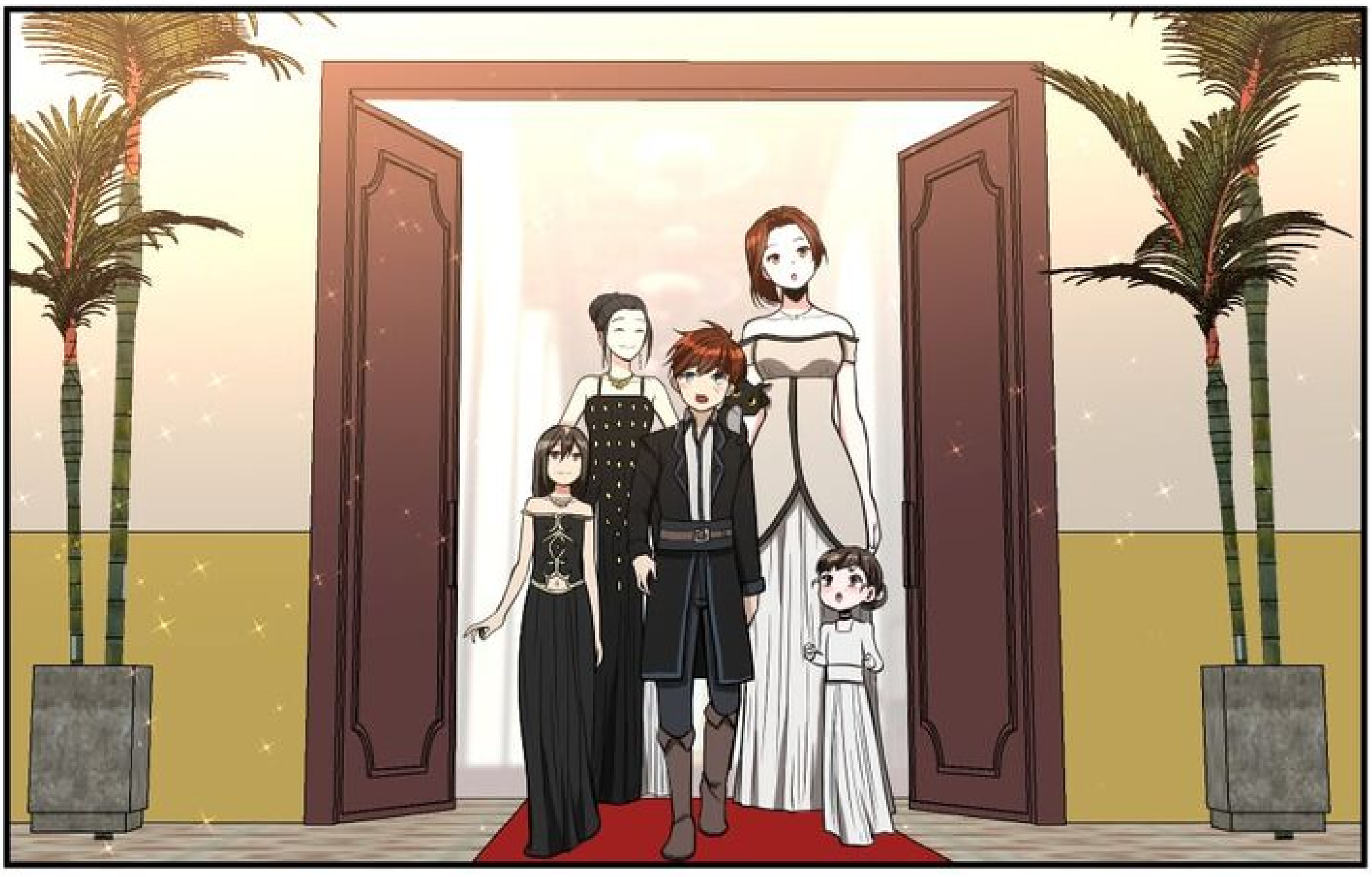


ANYWAY, I'LL BE JOINING YOUR FATHER NOW. CATCH YOU LATER.

PAT

COME ON, ARTHUR!
COMING, MOM.

LET'S GO INSIDE.
VINCENT AND YOUR
FATHER WILL JOIN
US A LITTLE LATER.



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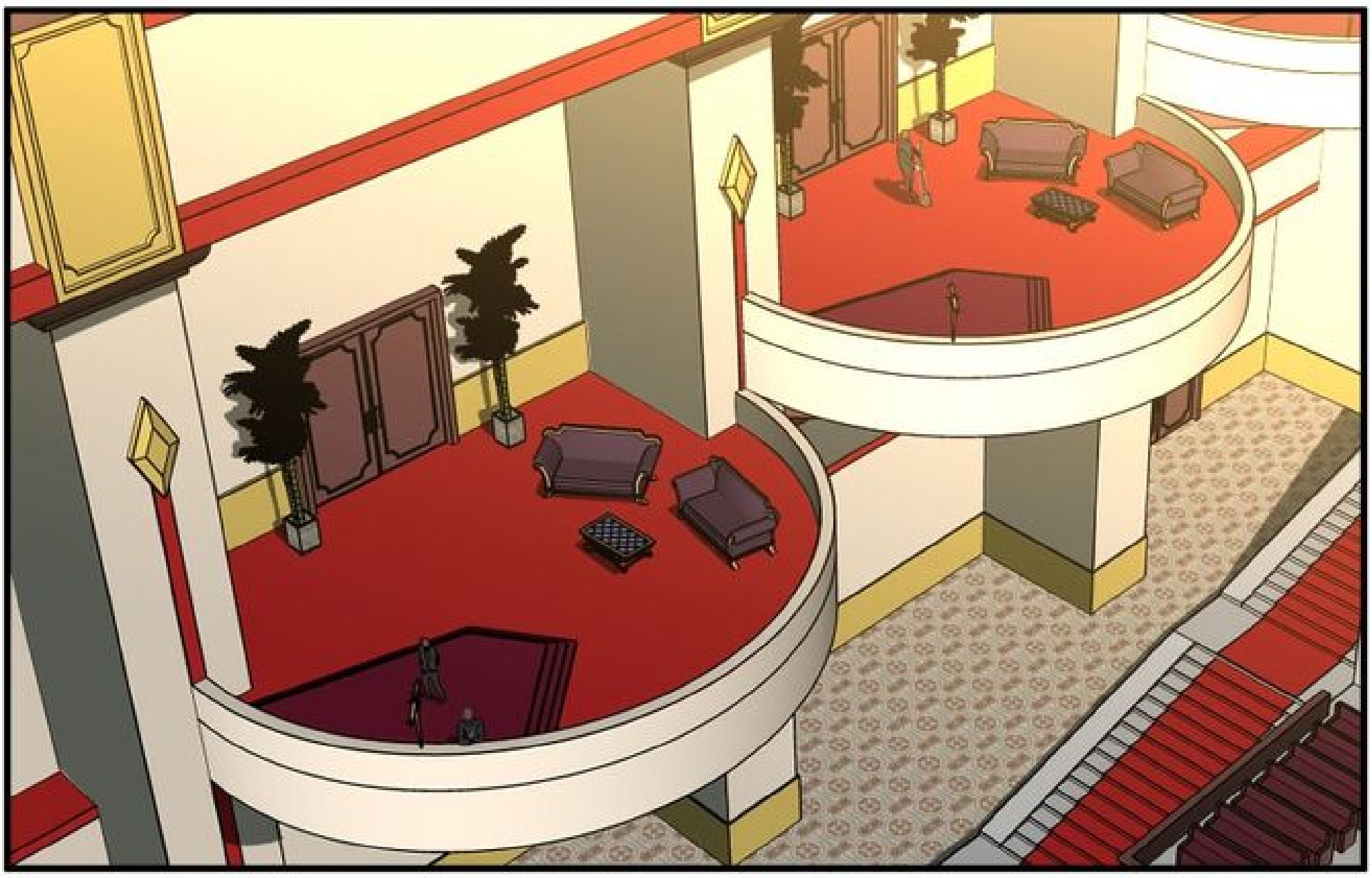
HUGE!

THAT MUST BE
THE AUCTIONEER HOSTING
THE EVENT.



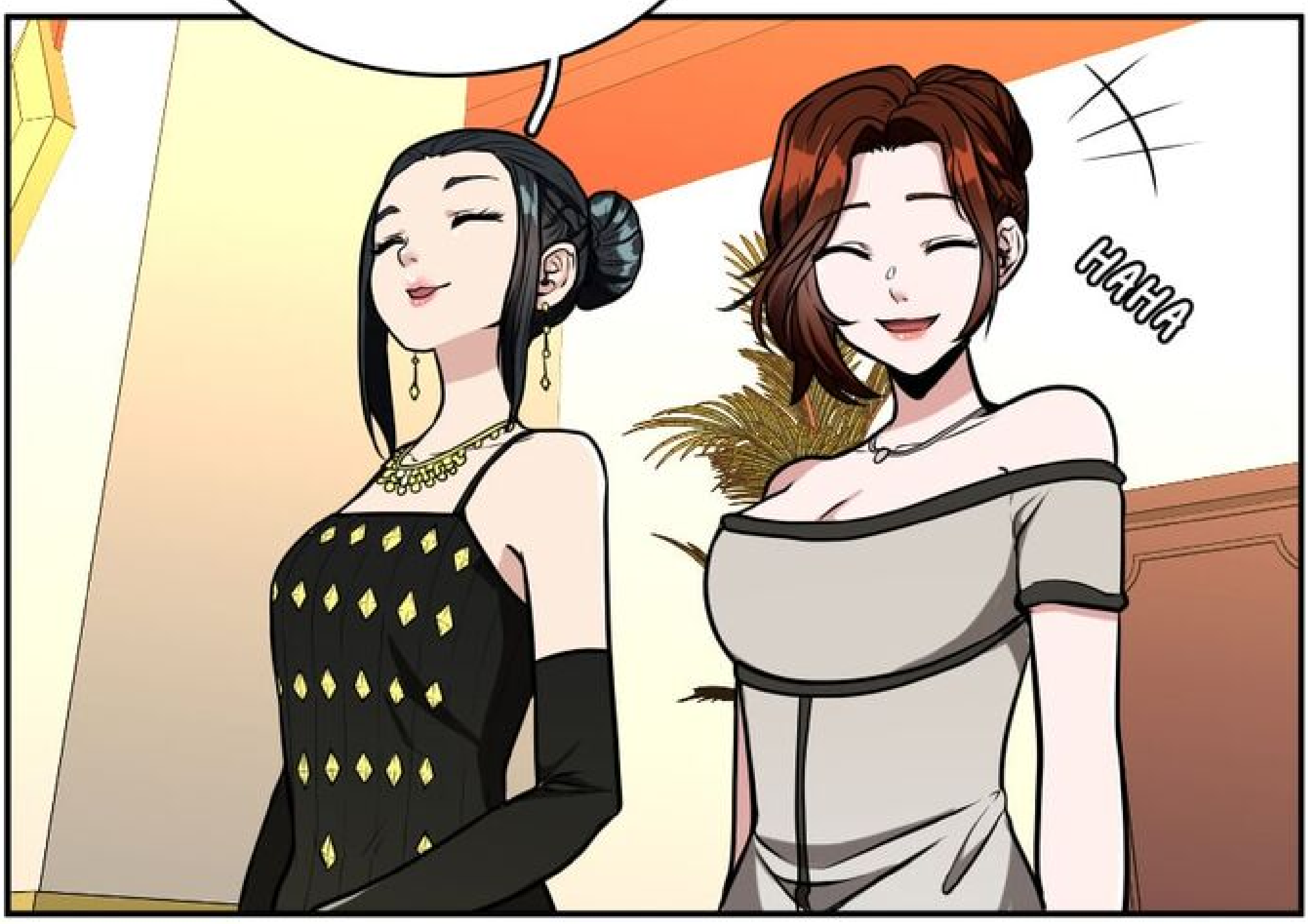
EVEN HAVING BEEN A KING
AND LIVING AMONGST THE ROYAL
FAMILY OF ELENOIR KINGDOM,
THIS IS IMPRESSIVE.

SO, ARTHUR.

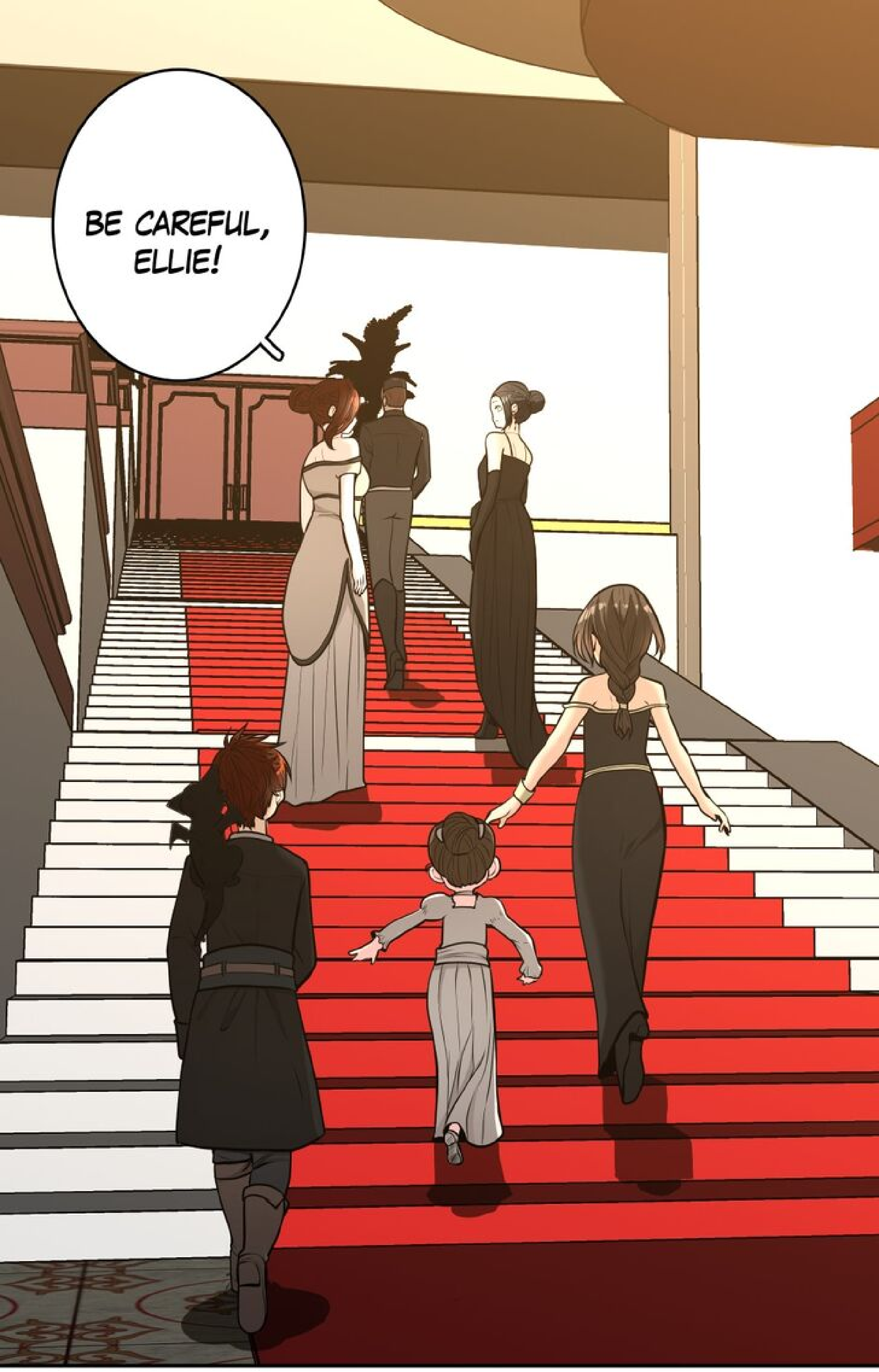
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF OUR HELSTEA AUCTION HOUSE?

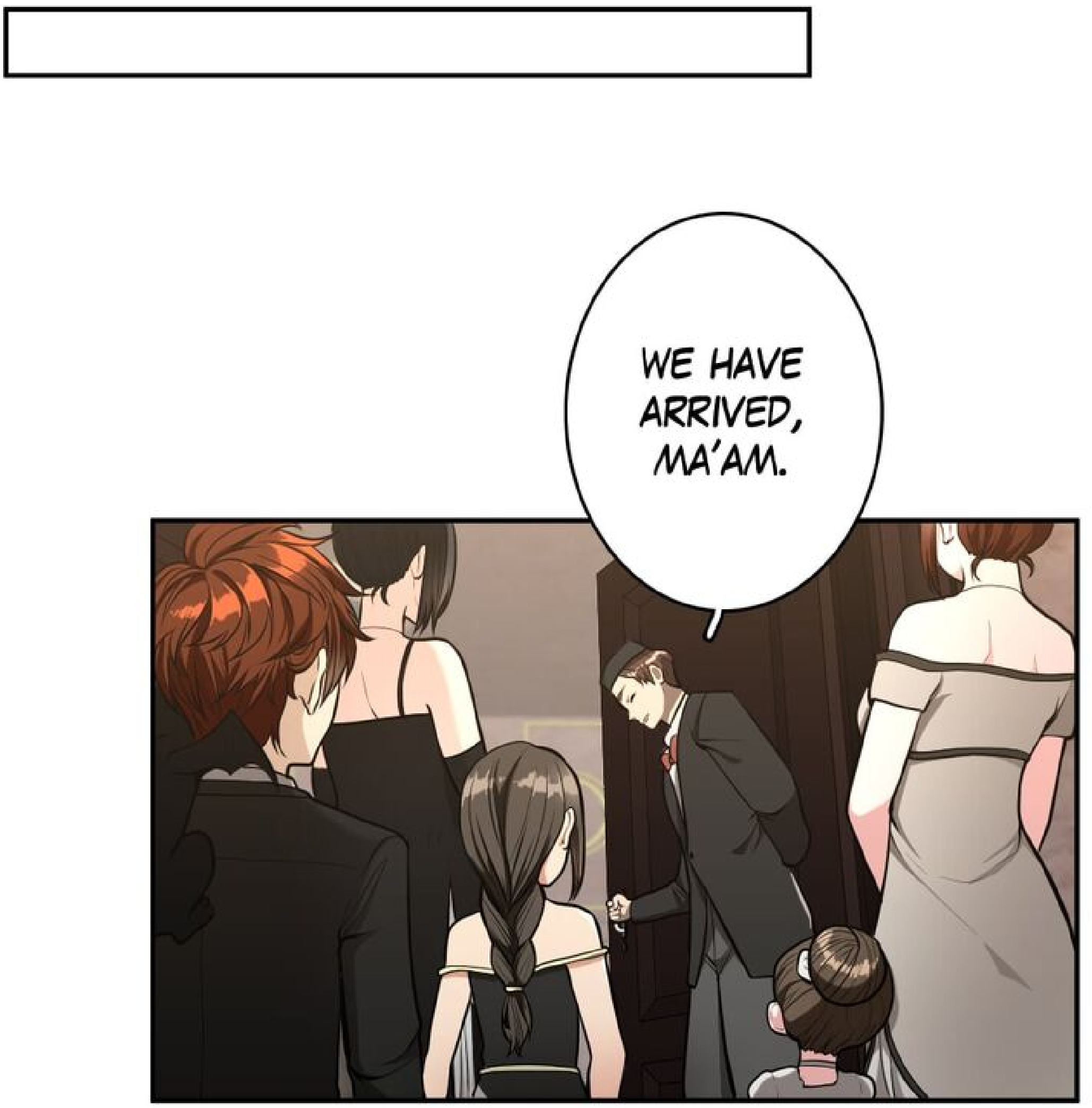
I THINK YOU'RE SERIOUSLY DOWNPLAYING THE WORD 'HOUSE', HERE.

WELL, I'M GLAD
YOU LIKE IT.


HAHA

WAIT 'TIL YOU SEE THE PRIVATE VIEWEING ROOMS AT THE TOP.


BE CAREFUL, ELLIE!


WE HAVE ARRIVED, MA'AM.

SEEING HOW GRAND THIS PLACE IS, I'M EXCITED TO SEE WHAT SORT OF ITEMS THEY'RE GOING TO AUCTION OFF TODAY.

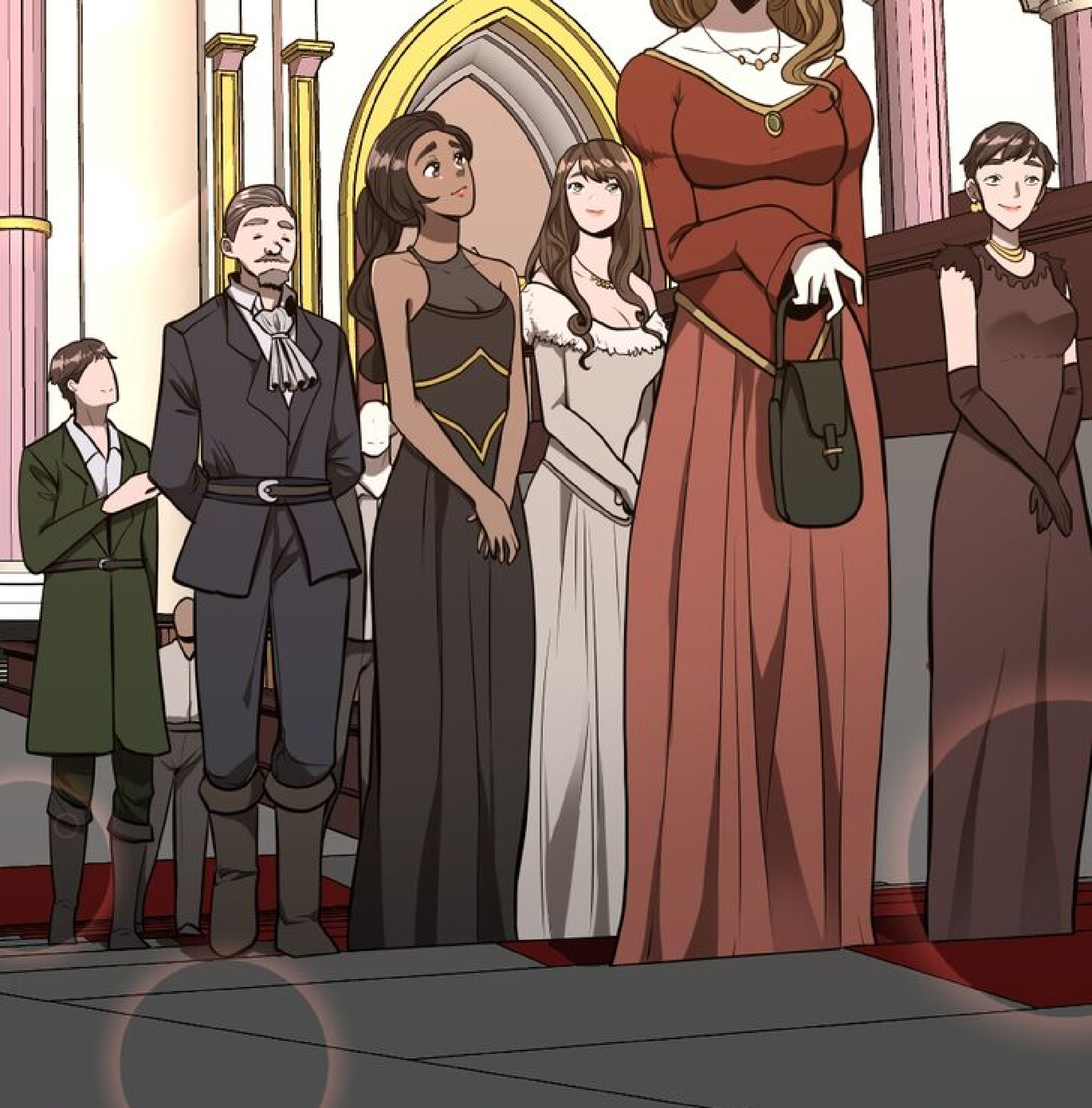
WE'LL BE EXPECTING SOME VERY SPECIAL GUESTS LATER ON, BUT FOR NOW, MAKE YOURSELVES COMFORTABLE!

OY OY!

ELLIE,
LOOK, IT'S
STARTING!

WOAA~

SO MANY PEOPLE!



WHAT ARE YOU KIDS UP TO?

ELLIE'S TRYING TO COUNT ALL THE PEOPLE COMING IN.

HOW CUTE~

HEY ELLIE, INSTEAD OF COUNTING, LET'S PLAY POK POK* INSTEAD!

AH, POK POK! YESS!

*POK POK= ADVANCED HAND CLAPPING GAME

CLAP

CLAP
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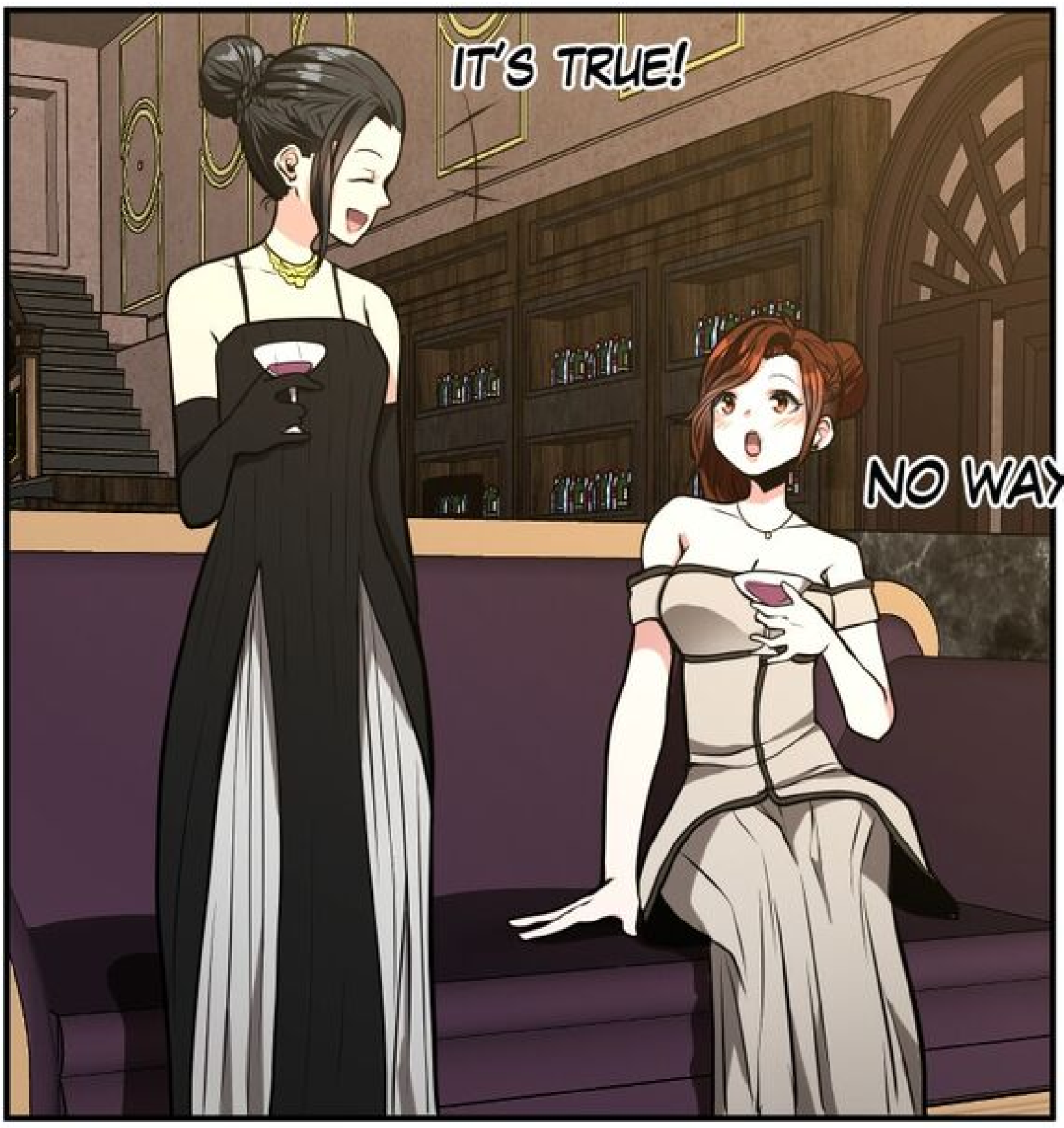
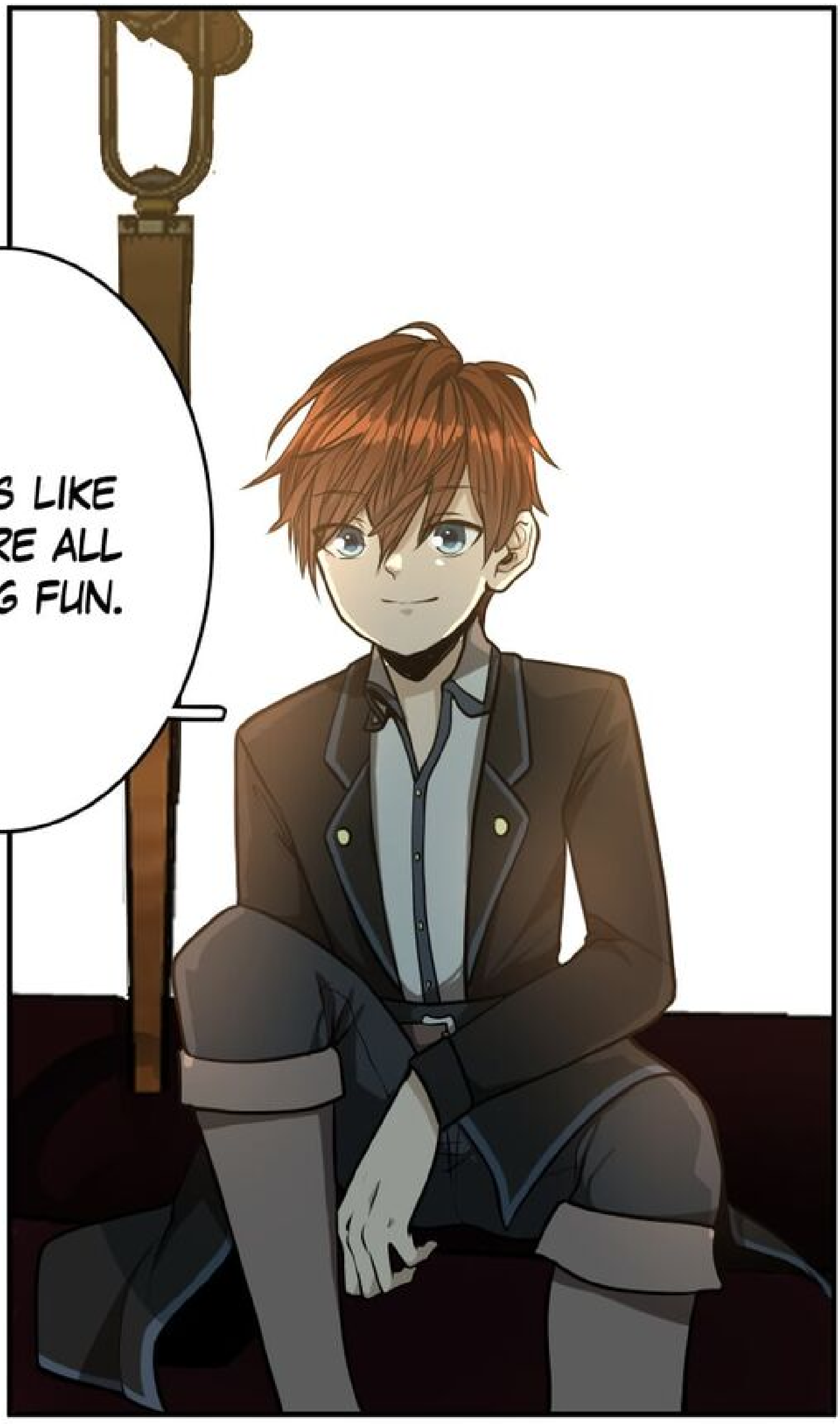
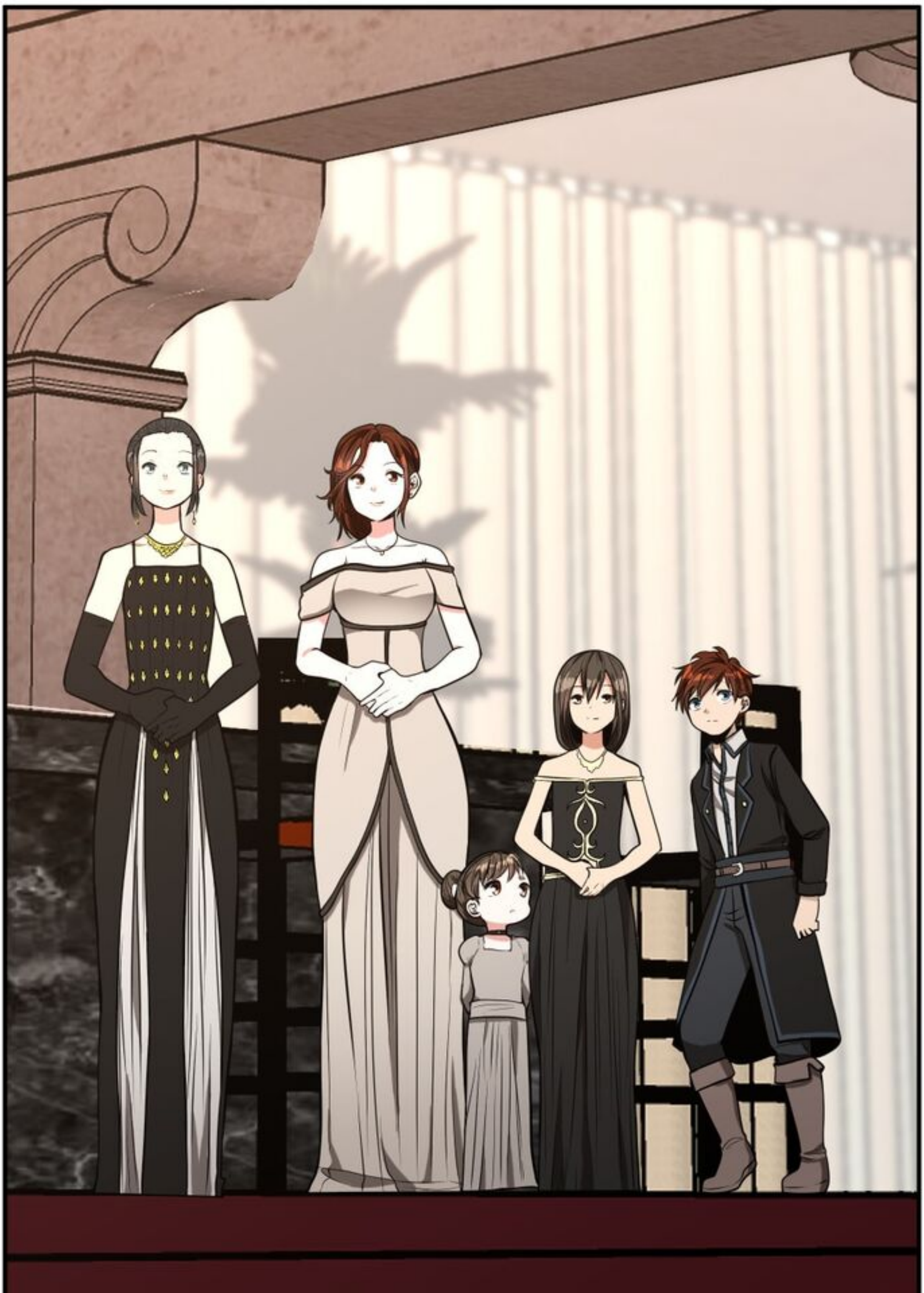
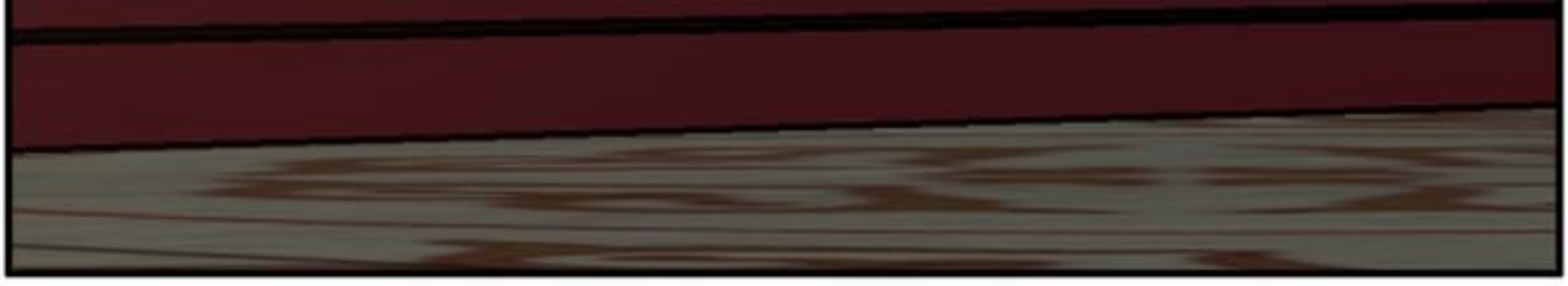

IT'S TRUE!
NO WAY!

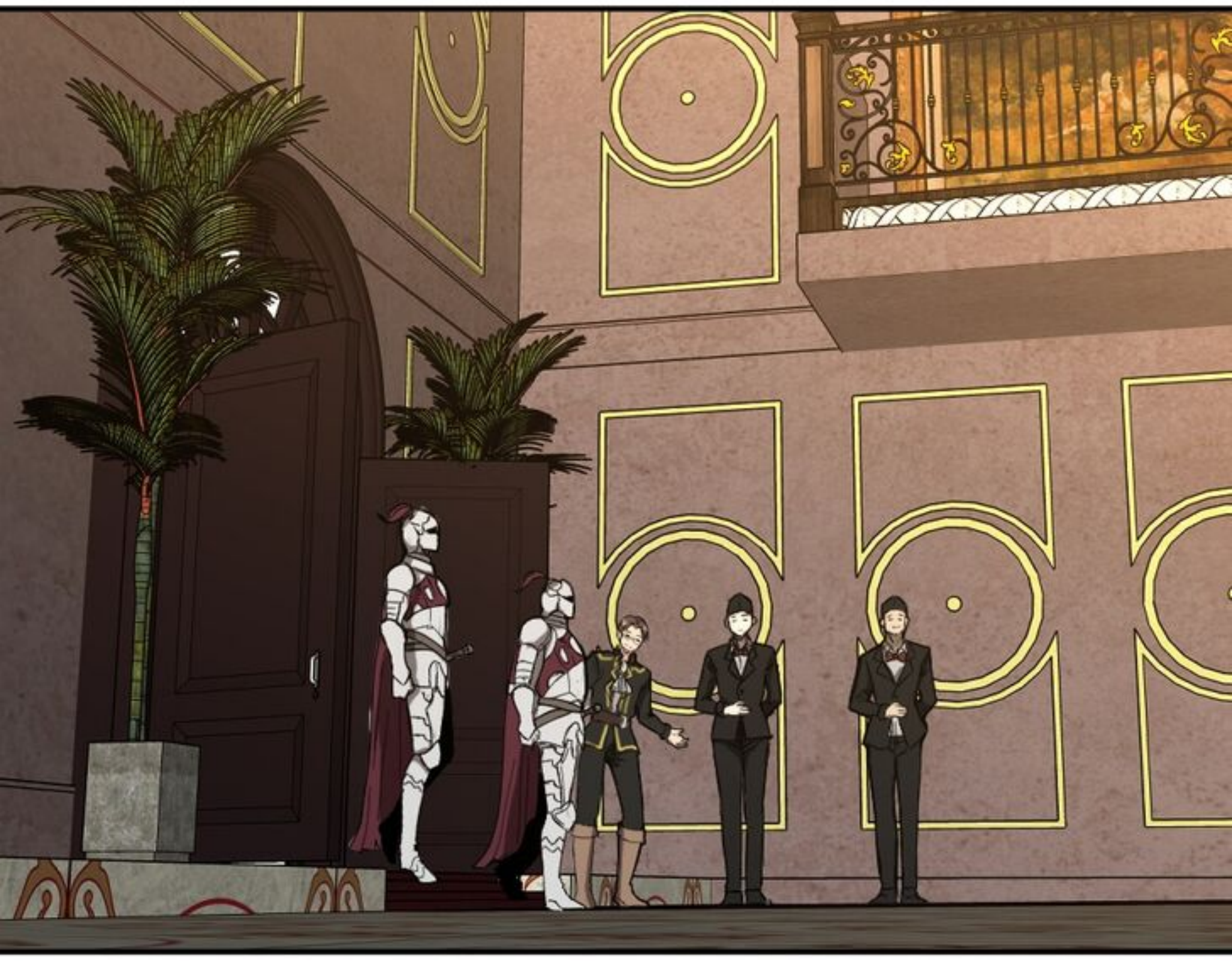

LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE ALL HAVING FUN.

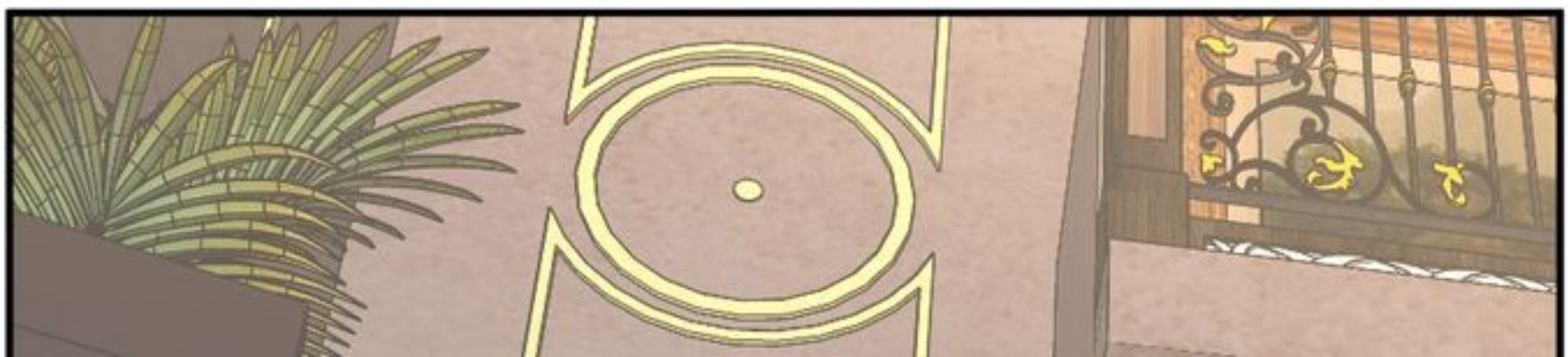
EXCUSE ME FOR THE INTRUSION, BUT I'D LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE VIP GUESTS HAVE ARRIVED AND WILL BE HERE SOON.

I UNDERSTAND.









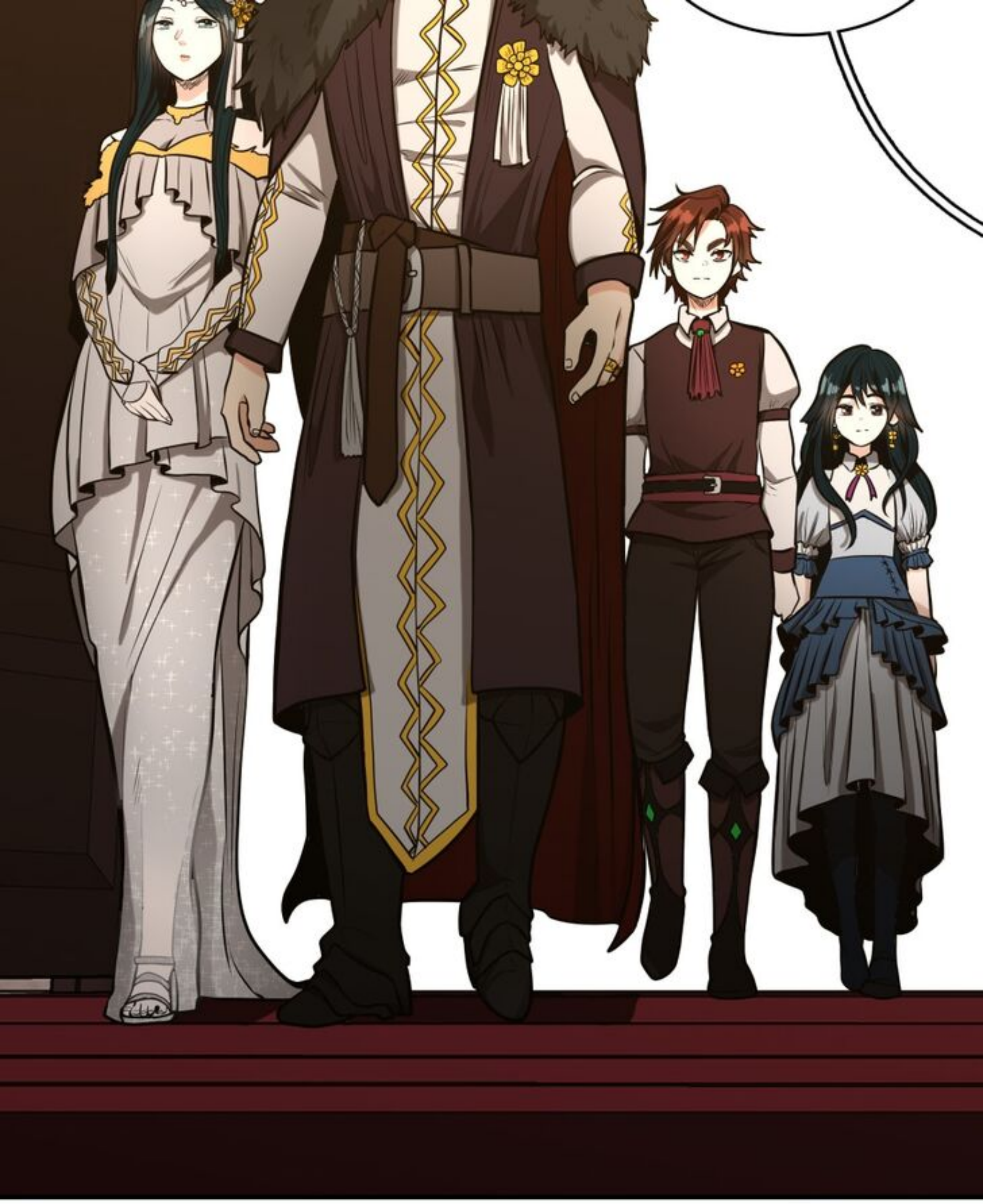
MAY
I PRESENT

HIS MAJESTY,
BLAINE GLAYDER,

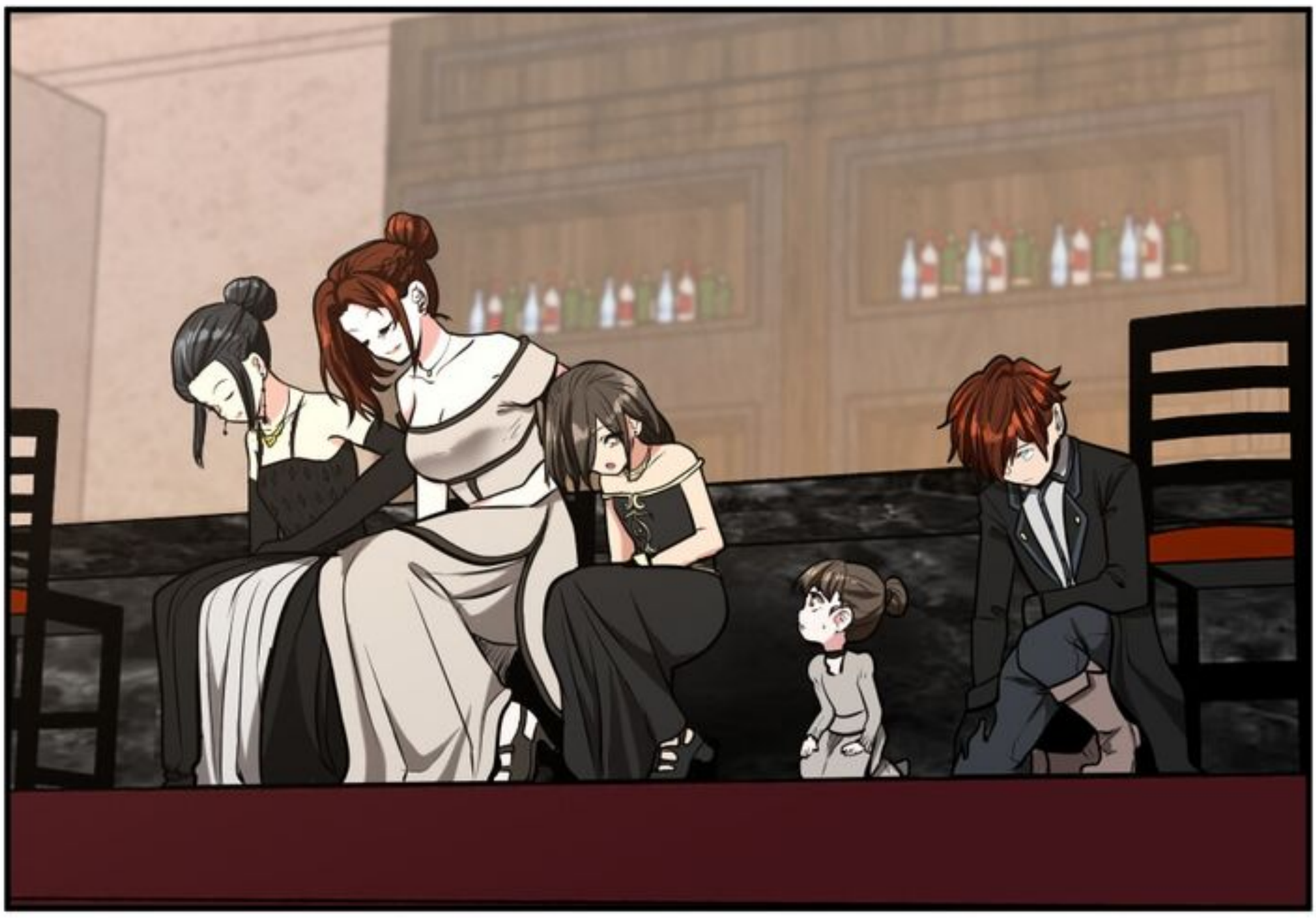
HER MAJESTY,
PRISCILLA
GLAYDER,

PRINCE CURTIS
GLAYDER,

AND PRINCESS
KATHYLN
GLAYDER!



I FELT IT THEN...
THE SAME AS IN ELENOIR.
I WAS IN THE PRESENCE
OF ROYALTY!



I DIDN'T
KNOW WE WOULD SHARE
THIS SPACE WITH GUESTS,
VINCENT.

FORGIVE ME FOR BEING PRESUMPTUOUS, YOUR MAJESTY!

I REMEMBERED YOU WANTING TO MEET MY FAMILY AGAIN THE LAST TIME YOU WERE HERE, SO I THOUGHT TODAY WOULD BE A GOOD TIME FOR THAT.

YOU REMEMBER MY WIFE, TABITHA AND MY DAUGHTER, LILIA.

YOUR MAJESTY.

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read it on bato.to

THIS IS ALICE LEYWIN,
MY CLOSE FRIEND'S WIFE,
AND THEIR CHILDREN, ARTHUR
AND ELEANOR LEYWIN.

WELL, FRIENDS OF VINCENT
MEAN FRIENDS OF MINE, AS WELL.
NOW, PLEASE STAND.

AFTER ALL, WE'RE HERE
TO CONGRATULATE THE HELSTEAS
ON THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THIS
WONDROUS PLACE AND TO
ENJOY THE EVENT.

YES, NO NEED
TO REMAIN SO FORMAL.
LET US ENJOY
OURSELVES.

I FOR ONE AM PLEASED THA
IT SEEMS WE'LL AT LEAST HAVE
SOME COMPANY BESIDES
OUR GUARDS

HAHA

GYOOH?

OH MY!
WHAT A CUTE MANA BEAST.
LOOKS REPTILIAN-BASED
BUT MORE...
INTELLIGENT.

SHE JUST HATCHED SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, YOUR MAJESTY. HER NAME IS SYLVIE.

SAY HELLO TO THEM, SYLVIE.

KYU!

YES, YOUR MAJESTY.

HOW FORTUNATE YOU ARE.
EVEN INFANT BEASTS ARE NOT EASY TO TAME, YET SHE SEEMS VERY OBEDIENT.

WELL,
WE'RE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE MENTALLY, SO IT'S MORE LIKE A MUTUAL AGREEMENT RATHER THAN OBEDIENCE.

WHAT?!

YOU MEAN TO SAY THAT YOU ARE UNDER AN EQUALS CONTRACT WITH THIS MANA BEAST?!

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CRAP.
DID I SAY
SOMETHING
UNUSUAL?

I-I SUPPOSE?
SHE WAS THE ONE
WHO INITIATED THE
CONTRACT.

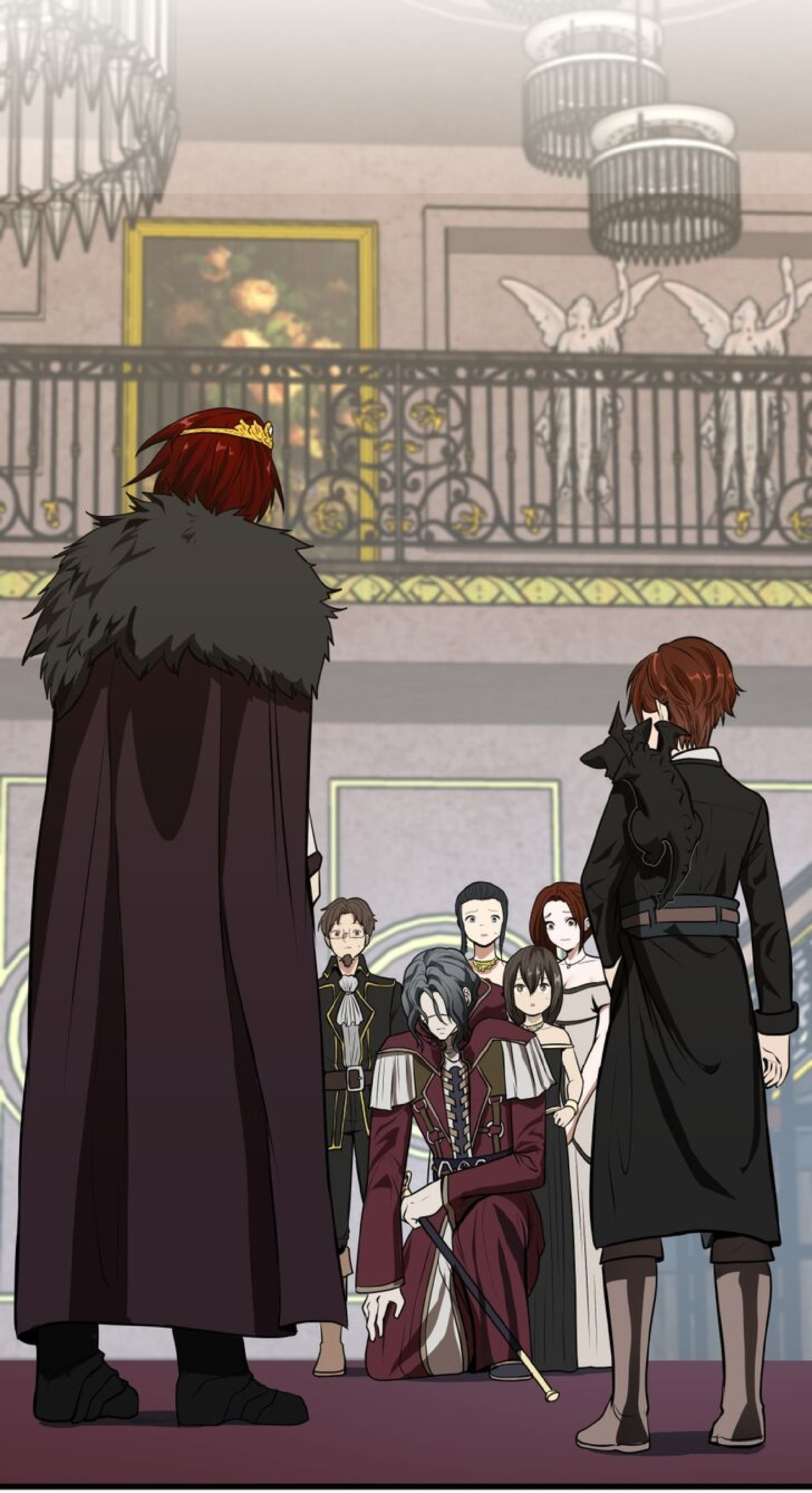
LET ME TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT YOUR BOND!

STOP.

THIS IS NEITHER THE TIME NOR PLACE TO STUDY SOMEONE'S PET.

NEED I REMIND YOU THAT YOU ARE ON DUTY, SEBASTIAN?

MY APOLOGIES, YOUR MAJESTY.



ER, THE EVENT MUST BE STARTING!
PLEASE, YOUR MAJESTIES, HAVE A SEAT OVER THERE.

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D-class mana beasts.

Domesticated as draft beasts used to pull carriages over long distances through unsteady terrain with their strong claws. With a much greater edurance and strength than normal horses, skitters are a valuable asset for anyone that's able to afford their services.

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